

D E S C R I B I N G

P I C T U R E S

- What kind of picture is it? *It is...*
 - A photograph (full colour / black and white).
 - A painting (a portrait / a landscape / a still life, etc.).
 - A cartoon.
- What do you see? *I see... We can see...*
 - People.
 - How many people are there?
 - What are they doing? *They are standing, they are sitting, they are dancing, they are speaking*, etc. (past continuous tense).
 - What are they feeling? *They look sad, they look excited*, etc.
 - What do they look like? *(S)he is tall/short – (S)he has long/short/curly/straight/brown/fair hair*, etc.
 - What are they wearing? *(S)he is wearing a white shirt and a blue skirt*, etc.
 - Place.
 - Where is this? *Beach, countryside, mountains*, etc.
 - What do you see? Buildings, objects, etc.
 - Locate things and/or people: *there is / there are*; prepositions (*at the front of the picture, at the back, at the top, on the bottom, in the left-hand corner, in the right-hand corner*, etc).
 - What colours are they?
 - Weather/season: *it must be spring, it must be summer*.
- Hesitation strategies:
 - *Well..., Um..., Er..., I guess..., Let's see...*
 - *Just a moment..., Hang on a second..., Let me think..., What else can I say?...*
 - *That's it. That's all. That'll be it/all.*